

2003 Tropical Cyclone Fatalities

The 2003 Atlantic Basin tropical cyclone season was extremely active with 21 named storms, compared to 12 in 2002. Of the 21 tropical cyclones, 7 had wind speed measuring hurricane force, 9 had tropical storms force winds and 4 measured as tropical depressions. Males were almost always the victims with 86% (12) of deaths in 2003. The most dangerous place to be in a tropical cyclone was outside, in the water or in a vehicle. The Pacific Basin logged 16 named storms7 Hurricanes and 9 Tropical Storms.

In September, Hurricane Isabel made landfall along the North Carolina coast and traveled up through Virginia and Maryland causing 10 deaths in the three-state area and accounted for \$1.685 billion in property damage in the Mid-Atlantic States. The 40-49 age range suffered the most tropical storms deaths at 36.

2003 TROPICAL CYCLONE FATALITIES BY STATE AND LOCATION

<u>STATE</u>	<u>BO</u>	<u>BU</u>	<u>IW</u>	<u>LS</u>	<u>MH</u>	<u>OT</u>	<u>OU</u>	<u>PH</u>	<u>SC</u>	<u>VE</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>
GU	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2
MD	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
NC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	2
NY	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TX	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1
VA	0	0	1	0	1	0	3	1	0	1	7
TOTAL	0	0	4	0	1	0	5	1	0	3	14
PERCENT	0	0	29	0	7	0	36	7	0	21	100

2003 TROPICAL CYCLONE FATALITIES BY AGE AND GENDER

	<u>FEMALE</u>	<u>MALE</u>	<u>UNKNOWN</u>	<u>TOTAL</u>	<u>PERCENT</u>
0 TO 9	0	0	0	0	0
10 TO 19	0	1	0	1	7
20 TO 29	0	3	0	3	21
30 TO 39	1	1	0	2	14
40 TO 49	1	4	0	5	36
50 TO 59	0	2	0	2	14
60 TO 69	0	1	0	1	7
70 TO 79	0	0	0	0	0
80 TO 89	0	0	0	0	0
90 TO --	0	0	0	0	0
UNKNOWN	0	0	0	0	0
TOTAL	2	12	0	14	99*
PERCENT	14	86	0	100	

(* Due to rounding total does not equal 100%)

LEGEND

BO - Boat
BU - Business
IW - In Water
LS - Long-Span Roof
MH - Mobile Home
OT - Other/Unknown
OU - Outside Open
PH - Permanent Home
SC - School
VE - Vehicle